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Patent Number <u>6,372,278</u>		Date of Patent Issued <u>April 16, 2002</u>	
Title of Invention <u>SWEETNER COMPOSITION</u>			
I believe said inventor(s) to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled: <u>SWEETNER COMPOSITION</u> the specification of which <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> was filed on <u>November 28, 2003</u> as reissue application number <u>10 / 722,678</u> and was amended on _____ (If applicable) I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b). Attached is form PTO/SB/02B (or equivalent) listing the foreign applications. I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.) <input type="checkbox"/> by reason of a defective specification or drawing. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent. <input type="checkbox"/> by reason of other errors.			

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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

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Hirotooshi ISHIDA, et al.

Patent Number

6,372,278

Date Patent Issued

April 16, 2002

Title of Invention

SWEETENER COMPOSITION

One box must  
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**Hiromitsu Sugizaki, General Manager, Intellectual Property Department, Ajinomoto Co., Inc.**

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

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Application No./Patent No.: 6,372,278

Filed/Issue Date: April 16, 2002

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